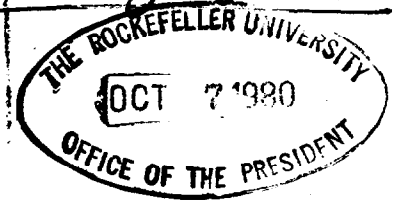


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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

I am writing to you to request your help in a research project that I am conducting. As an educator interested in the literacy achievements of our youngsters, I am concerned by the recent evidence of a decline in the reading and writing abilities of our student population.

Of particular interest to me has been the claim that our "gifted" students are not fulfilling their potential. Therefore, I have taken the liberty of enclosing a brief questionnaire that I hope you will answer and return in the stamped, self-addressed envelope.

As a prestigious scientist, your early literary history may offer some important information for the education of today's children. Perhaps your recollections will help the educational community to better serve the needs of those youngsters who have the possibility of becoming the creative adults of tomorrow.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely yours,

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